

THE AVALANCHE.

O. PALMER, Editor and Proprietor

Entered at the Post Office at Grayling, Mich., as second-class matter.

THURSDAY, June 21, 1883.

LOCAL ITEMS.

Grayling will celebrate.

Read new card of F. Purchase on first page.

J. M. Finn got tired of constant sprinkling and has put a new roof on his drug store.

Philip Moehler, Jr., has moved to Genesee county, where he has purchased a small farm.

Factory loom to rent or sell cheap. Inquire at Mrs. Mitchell's millinery store.

Main J. Conline has the lumber on the ground for a new office, just west of Master's store.

The Manistee Hotel is being rejuvenated by a fresh coat of paint under the brush of Bonnell.

Reports from every part of the county show wheat, rye, oats and clover promising an abundant yield.

Misses Bessie Mickelson and Nora Masters Sundayed in Fredericville, guests of Mrs. Thos. Woodfield.

The largest stock of drugs, medicines, chemicals, paints and oils north of Bay City at Traver's drug store.

The dance at the opera house on evening last week drew a fair-sized audience and a pleasant time was had.

The many friends of Tommy Shoppenegone will be pained to learn that he is lying very low with consumption.

Dr. N. H. Traver knows how to bring a smile to the printer's devil face. A lot of large, sweet oranges did it. Thanks!

Three new houses have been erected on the south side of the river this week and more are getting under way. Grayling growth.

Mr. J. E. R. Sproul, Keganaw, Mich. says: "After having suffered for three years from dyspepsia, Brown's Iron Bitters cured me."

If there is anything in this world more numerous than mosquitoes, it must be potato bugs. Watch your gardens, for they are legion.

A little daughter of E. T. Buck had the misfortune of scalding herself quite badly one day last week, but it is now thought no serious results will follow.

Traver's Furniture Rooms are daily receiving additions of stock, making the most complete stock north of Bay City.

Ex-supervisor Hildreth, of Center Plains, was in the city on Saturday, and brings flattering reports of the agricultural prospects of that township.

Mr. Joseph Blair, Ludington, Mason county, says: "I can recommend Brown's Iron Bitters as a good tonic and strengthener."

The band gave an open air concert in front of the opera house Saturday evening. Several pieces were finely rendered and fully appreciated by our citizens.

The funeral of Mrs. Henry Elley occurred at the hall on Thursday afternoon of last week. Rev. Wm. Putnam officiating. Her remains were interred in the Grayling cemetery.

Messrs. Wild & Wheeler, of Bay City, have taken possession of the Grayling House, having rented it of Mr. Hartwick. The hotel has a large patronage and we hope its popularity may continue under the new management.

The family of Mr. Doyle, line repairer at this station, have arrived and are living in the residence formerly occupied by A. D. Price. Mr. Price has moved into Mrs. Walling's house, lately occupied by Jas. Bull. Jas. Bull has moved into his new residence.

Our business men, and all citizens interested in the prosperity of Grayling, should look more closely to the condition of the roads leading here. We know of trade being drawn to neighboring towns on account of better roads which can be kept here by a little attention.

Mr. M. S. Hartwick had hardly retired from the Grayling House before he had another building in progress. The lumber is on the ground for an addition to the Exchange 24x36 feet, two stories in height. The old building will be moved back and the new part front on Michigan avenue.

Mr. Lewis Jensen shook the dust of Grayling from his feet and started for Washington Territory last Friday, where he will look after the interests of land and lumber located there by Mr. Mickelson this spring. Mr. Jensen leaves a host of friends here who regret his departure and who wish him success in his new home and business.

In reply to the question, "What do you consider the best school desk in the market?" the State Superintendent said: "I know of nothing better than the Kent-Rolling desk made by the Union School Furniture Co. of Battle Creek." A sample of this desk may be seen at Traver's furniture rooms.

Services at the hall next Sabbath, morning and evening.

Chas. Harder and W. Shellenbarger caught 118 grayling Tuesday forenoon. How is that for the silver-sided beauties?

Mrs. Wm. Porter and Mrs. Frank Chappell, mother and sister of Mrs. O. J. Bell and Mrs. G. O. Hall, arrived from Jackson county yesterday for a visit.

Mr. E. S. Ross, traveling salesman for a wholesale drug concern in Philadelphia, Sundayed in Grayling, the guest of his sister, Mrs. G. H. Thayer.

Mrs. Stewart, of Oakland county, visited a few days in the city last week guest of Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Forbes. Mrs. Stewart is a sister to Mr. Forbes.

Communication from Center Plains received too late for this issue, and one from South Branch without signature consigned to the waste basket for that reason.

Mr. E. Purchase, of Saginaw City, has bought the livery business recently established by J. D. King, and the same has been removed to the barn belonging to D. London.

For the accommodation of those who desire to visit Portage Lake on Sundays, Mr. E. Purchase will run a bus twice every Sabbath, leaving the Grayling House at 8 o'clock a. m. and 2 o'clock p. m., and returning at 12 o'clock m. and 6 p. m. Fare for round trip 50 cents each.

Let every resident of Crawford county, together with his wife, sons and daughters, brothers and sisters, nephews and nieces, uncles and aunts, from first cousin to 42d cousin, every young man and his sweetheart, come to Grayling on the Fourth of July and enjoy the huge and varied amusements and otherwise which will be had on that occasion, and at the same time note the rapid growth, improvements and city airs their county seat is indulging in.

The social given at the residence of J. S. Harder on Friday evening last for the benefit of Mr. Kelley and family was fairly attended and netted we understand something over \$14. Mr. R. S. Babbitt and a few others who were unable to be present made up a purse of \$8.50 the following morning and it was presented to Mr. K. by Mr. B. Mr. and Mrs. Kelley are sorely afflicted—be with consumption and she with a bad hand—and having two or three small children, they are deserving of the substantial sympathy of our citizens.

COURT HOUSE ADDITION.

The necessity of additional office room in the court house has been growing until it seems the time has come when it should be attended to, and certainly the present season would be a good one for the improvement, as it is one of general prosperity. Material and labor are comparatively cheap, and the cost would not be so great as to be materially felt by the tax payers. Two objects would be accomplished by putting an addition to the east of the present building. Sufficient room would be secured for all the county offices and appropriate jail accommodations, while last, and not least, the horrid architectural appearance of the present "lightning-splitter" would be remedied to such an extent that it would no longer be a laughing post for any visitor to our city.

Will not the county board take the matter under consideration?

CORRESPONDENCE.

BRAYER CREEK.
June 16, 1883.

EDITOR AVALANCHE:
Mr. Milo Ousterhout, sec. 31, erected a large hewed-log house last Saturday. Twenty-three of our big-hearted "boys" turned out and gave him a "ho!"

We guess that string band spoken of in last week's AVALANCHE is a myth.

E. A. Crosby has at last succeeded in getting a well. After the futile attempts of the two gentlemen mentioned heretofore, Mr. M. Hageman was engaged, and at the depth of 76 feet he struck a rich vein of "pure and sparkling water."

On Thursday, June 7, 1883, to Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Baker, a daughter.

PLAINS FARMING.

AS FINE A FARM AS IS TO BE SEEN IN NORTHERN MICHIGAN.

For years the writer has heard it oft repeated that the pine plains of northern Michigan could never be made into fertile farms. This we have always combatted, and each day it is more and more apparent that the position we have taken is the correct one.

No doubt, in certain cases, there is reason for this. But the reasons can be found not in lack of fertility of soil, but in lack of energy on the part of the men who make the statement and also in their lack of knowledge of farming. We have repeatedly called attention to the success of those who have been farmers and have not had the idea uppermost in their minds to exist as best they could until they were enabled to prove up on their homesteads, and then gone outside and derided the soil and country. Such men will never build up a farm in any land, and are really the occasion of so much talk that is detrimental to pine plains.

We have in this and Crawford counties, men who have come here to build for themselves homes and with a hand

fulfilled in doing so, the country. Notably among them are Amos H. Emery and son, Peter W. Franken, and many others at Houghton Lake; A. D. Wayne in Gerish township, this county, and the Messrs. Steckert, John Lohme, Hubbard, Head, N. H. Evans, George Pearson, Andrew Scott, and a host of others in Crawford county. These gentlemen all have "fine farms," and are not only doing good to themselves but to the entire community.

On Tuesday the Pioneer representative paid a visit to the farms of Jacob and Wm. R. Steckert, and found them in admirable condition.

Mr. Steckert, senior, has ten acres of wheat that is knee-high, stands strong and is of splendid color, and during a ride through Southern Michigan the writer saw no wheat that would compare with it. Ten acres of oats that are looking very fine and give promise of a fine yield. He has 15 acres of potatoes planted and they are now up, and from the nature of the soil and other indications he will undoubtedly have a large crop. He has also planted ten acres of corn, besides an immense vegetable garden.

Wm. R. Steckert has only lately commenced to make anything like extensive improvements on his farm, but has gone at it with right good will and energy, and is now completing a fine house and will next week commence the erection of a barn. On Tuesday he drove a well 18 feet deep and reached a fine spring of pure water. He is also putting in crops extensively. The two gentlemen have been working all the spring with four teams and have employed four men on their farms.

They have done a great work in developing the resources of this country and are entitled to much credit for their public spiritedness and for their success in all their undertakings.—Common Pioneer.

TO EUROPE AND RETURN FOR THIRTY CENTS.

If you can't afford to pay \$22 for one of W. H. Bready's round trip excursion tickets "From Detroit to the Sea," with which you could leave Detroit June 27th, July 11th or July 25th, for a 2,200 mile pleasure tour to the White Mts. and Sea Shore, the next best thing would be to send ten 3-cent stamps to W. H. Bready, of the Detroit Evening News, for a copy of his new 68-page illustrated excursion guide book. It also contains particulars of three cheap excursions "From Detroit across the Sea," to Liverpool. The book is graphic in its descriptions, and affords for 30 cents an excellent substitute for an excursion to Europe, with the advantage that calm weather and exemption from sea sickness may be relied upon. One of these guide books has been received at the office of this paper, where it may be examined by any one interested.

OH, SAY!

LOOK HERE!

I have on sale the following novelties. Read the list over and see if I haven't something that you want.

PICTURE FRAMES.

A very neat ebony-finished white lined frame. Sizes, 8x10 and 10x14. Prices, 25c and 35c, with backs.

PATCHING PLATE.

Mends tinware, brass, copper, lead, and iron of all kinds. Does it quickly and well. One plate will do the work that a tinmith would charge you \$12 or \$15 for. Price, 25c per plate.

The Ladies' Sewing Companion.

Keeps things in their places. Holds two thimbles, a velvet emery cushion for needles and pins, four spools of thread, and a pair of shears. A very pretty and useful ornament. Price 25c.

LONDON CEMENT.

It saves more than ten times its cost in mending articles that get broken, such as furniture, china, glassware, crockery, porcelain, marble, ivory, urethaneum, leather, etc. Its usefulness recommends it to every economical household. Price 25c per bottle.

Lead Pencils.

A good cedar pencil, the best of lead. Always retailed at 5c each. I sell them with rubber tips, 3c; without, 2c.

C. E. STRUNK, AVALANCHE OFFICE, Grayling, Mich.

NOTICE.

United States Land Office, Post City, Mich., June 13, 1883.

Complaint having been entered at this office by Elmer E. Ousterhout against P. T. Doyle for obtaining title to Homestead No. 2, sec. 26, Twp. 28 N., R. 10 W., in Crawford county, Mich., dated July 14th, 1882, upon the basis of a fictitious claim, and the same being in violation of the provisions of the act of Congress, approved March 3rd, 1879, in relation to the construction of said act, the said parties are hereby summoned to appear at the office on the 15th day of July, 1883, at 1 o'clock p. m., to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged fraud.

ELMER E. OUSTERHOUT, Plaintiff.

W. H. C. MCGILL, Receiver.

SWARTHOUT & SMITH, Real Estate & Insurance AGENCY

Two houses and nine lots on Cedar street; two houses and three lots on Peninsula avenue; two houses and five lots, and two store lots on Michigan avenue, for sale. Over 3,000 acres of pine land and 400 acres of farming lands, improved, for sale. We represent more Companies than any Agency in Northern Michigan and insure at lower rates.

Agents for Roffee's addition to Grayling.

Money to loan on good security.

Swarthout & Smith.

FOR

JOB PRINTING

Of All Kinds, go to the

AVALANCHE OFFICE

LETTER HEADS, NOTE HEADS, BILL HEADS, BUSINESS CARDS, CALLING CARDS, Posters, Envelopes, Invitations, Etc., Printed with Neatness and Dispatch.

PRICES REASONABLE.

GIVE US A CALL AND BE CONVINCED.

LOOK HERE—READ THIS.

I have on sale the following line of goods: The Good Value Stationery Package. The finest and most valuable stationery package ever put up. Each package contains 6 sheets fine commercial note paper, 6 sheets fine tinted note paper, 6 sheets fine invitation French note paper, 18 envelopes to match, 1 beautiful palette, 1 Buckner's musical chart, 26 embroidery and needle-work designs, hints and helps for the housewife, 1 good American lead pencil, a good penholder and golden pen; and in addition, to each purchaser of one of these packages a large 32 page novel is given free. These packages are left unsealed so that they may be examined before purchasing. Price 25 cents. Call and see them.

I also have another stationery package called the "Household Package," which contains 12 sheets tinted note paper, 12 envelopes to match, 2 papers of the best quality of pins, 1 bank of superior black thread, 1 package of steel hair pins, and 1 dozen white agate buttons, all for 25 cents. These packages are also open to inspection. These same goods at a store cost 54 cents.

Needle Packages, containing 120 large-eyed English needles. The assortment is as follows: 4 papers, 25 in each; 3 long cotton darners, 2 short cotton darners, 2 extra fine cotton darners, 2 wool darners, 2 yarn darners, 2 steel bodkins, 3 button needles, 1 worsted needle and 1 motto needle. Total retail value, 32 cents; I sell them for 25 cents and give a beautiful prize. These goods are warranted to give satisfaction. They have the advantage of large eyes, being easy to thread, are made of silver steel, which will not bend, and have drilled and burnished eyes. Therefore will not cut the thread.

Album of Presidents. This is a handsome album containing fine photographic portraits of all the Presidents of the United States from Washington to Arthur, with fac simile autographs of each, also date of birth, inauguration, and death. The portraits are not common prints. Price, 20 cents.

Any one of the above packages or album sent to any address by mail on receipt of price in 1, 2 or 3c stamps.

C. E. STRUNK, AVALANCHE OFFICE, Grayling, Crawford Co., Mich.

A week made at home by the industrious. Best business now before the public. Capital not needed; we will start you. Men, women, boys and girls wanted everywhere to work for us. Now is the time; you can work in spare time, or give your whole time to the business. No other business will pay you nearly as well. No one can fault with enormous pay, by engaging at once. Costly outfit and terms free. Money made fast, easily and honorably. Address True & Co., Augusta, Me.

N. OLESON'S BILLIARD AND POOL PARLORS.

GRAYLING, MICHIGAN.

The choicest Wines, Liquors, and the best 5 and 10-cent Cigars constantly on hand.

THE MONARCH.

GRAYLING, MICHIGAN.

THE MONARCH.

GRAYLING, MICHIGAN.

THE MONARCH.

GRAYLING, MICHIGAN.

THE MONARCH.

GRAYLING, MICHIGAN.

THE MONARCH.

GRAYLING, MICHIGAN.

THE MONARCH.

GRAYLING, MICHIGAN.

THE MONARCH.

GRAYLING, MICHIGAN.

THE MONARCH.

GRAYLING, MICHIGAN.

THE MONARCH.

GRAYLING, MICHIGAN.

THE MONARCH.

GRAYLING, MICHIGAN.

THE MONARCH.

GRAYLING, MICHIGAN.

THE MONARCH.

GRAYLING, MICHIGAN.

THE MONARCH.

GRAYLING, MICHIGAN.

THE MONARCH.

GRAYLING, MICHIGAN.

THE MONARCH.

GRAYLING, MICHIGAN.

THE MONARCH.

GRAYLING, MICHIGAN.

THE MONARCH.

GRAYLING, MICHIGAN.

Salling, Hanson & Co.

DEALERS IN

GROCERIES,

PROVISIONS,

FEED, HAY,

And all other Goods used by Lumbermen and the Public in general, at

WHOLESALE and RETAIL.

DRY GOODS.

CLOTHING.

FURNISHING GOODS.

HATS & CAPS.

BOOTS AND SHOES.

HARDWARE.

STOVES and TINWARE,

CROCKERY and GLASSWARE,

Dcers, Sash, Mouldings, Brick, Lime,

AND OTHER

BUILDING MATERIAL.

MANUFACTURERS AND DEALERS IN

Lumber, Lath

and Shingles.

Bills Cut to Order on Short Notice.

LONG NORWAY TIMBER A SPECIALTY.

THE BEST WAGON

ON WHEELS

IS MANUFACTURED BY

FISH BROS. & CO.,

RACINE, WIS.,

WE MAKE EVERY VARIETY OF

FARM, FREIGHT AND SPRING WAGONS,

And by confining ourselves strictly to one class of work, by employing none but the BEST of WORKMEN, using nothing but First-Class Improved Machinery and the Very Best of Selected Timber, and by a Thorough Knowledge of the business, we have justly earned the reputation of making

"The Best wagon on Wheels."

Manufacturers have abolished the warranty, but agents may, on their own responsibility, give the following warranty with each wagon, if so agreed: "We hereby warrant the Fish Bros. Wagon No. — to be well made in every particular and to be of good material, and that the strength of the same is sufficient for all work with fair usage. Should any breakage occur within one year from this date by reason of defective material or workmanship, repairs for the same will be furnished at place of sale, free of charge, or the price of said repairs, as per agent's price list, will be paid in cash by the producer, producing a sample of the broken or defective parts as evidence."

Knowing we can suit you, we solicit patronage from every section of the United States. Send for Price and Terms, and for a copy of the Fish Bros. Agent's list, to

FISH BROS. & CO., Racine, Wis.